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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 16, 2004, please amend the present application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 10 of this response, and include 2 attached replacement sheets.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this response.